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50X1 Installations and Points of Interest

50X1 See page 4, an overlay on US TCM Series-25, Sheet 2, 0322-9998-2-25M.  
50X1 Sofia

50X1 1. A caserne, commonly known as "kamiyonen polk" (truck regiment),

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50X1 a motorized military unit was based there  
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50X1 2. A military caserne, commonly called the "1st and 6th Regiment Caserne". This installation consisted of five or six two-story brick buildings surrounded by a brick wall 2.5 to 3 meters high. located there. A military police unit (stolichno voyenno kommandantstvo) was also located at this caserne. Officers from various military units in the Sofia area were required to report there for one-day patrol duty about once every six months. Their duty consisted of patrolling the streets of Sofia with an enlisted man; they also checked military personnel for documents and enforced the wearing of uniforms.

50X1 3. A Bulgarian naval office which was located in a three-story four-story brick building.

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4. The border troops administrative office, located in a three or four-story white stone building. [redacted] border guard troops (granichny voyski) enter and leave this building. [redacted] members of the border guard [redacted] green-topped caps. This office was formerly the headquarters of the Sofia criminal police and the militia.
5. School for Militia, an old three or four-story brick building which was very well known to all Sofia citizens. [redacted] A district registration office was located on the school premises.
6. A caserne, formerly a cavalry caserne and, presently, a quartermaster administrative center (tyl na armiyata). This center controlled the supply of food, clothing, POL, and spare vehicle parts to the Bulgarian Army. [redacted] the Iliyantsi underground POL project, [redacted] under construction, with Lt. Colonel Komandarev (fnu) who was [redacted] in charge of POL construction projects. [redacted] This caserne consisted of one large two-story brick building, which was the main administration building, and several smaller buildings. The area was enclosed by a 2.5-meter-high brick wall where there were no buildings adjacent to the perimeter of the area.
7. The motorized militia station consisted of two three-story brick buildings with garages to house armored cars, motorcycles, and other vehicles. A police staff was quartered here permanently. This station was located on Vladimir Vazov ulitsa.
8. A military school where graduates were commissioned as officers. It was well-known that this installation was the largest military school in Bulgaria. [redacted]
9. A caserne, formerly called "armored regiment caserne". It consisted of three or four two-story brick buildings surrounded by a fence with barbed wire. This caserne was occupied by an unknown military unit in August 1954.
10. A military garage comprising two or three wooden barracks which were used as garages for military passenger vehicles. [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]
11. An antiaircraft artillery site [redacted] during World War II. [redacted]  
[redacted] This installation was located on a high hill and [redacted] this site would serve the same purpose at the present time.
12. The Central Military Depot [redacted] is one of the largest storage depots in Bulgaria. [redacted]  
[redacted] The depot consisted of one two-story building where 20-30 Bulgarian soldiers were quartered and two single-story brick buildings which housed the administration and supply staff which controlled and issued equipment to military requisitioners. [redacted] much construction lumber, various tools, electro-motors, appliances, cable, wire, army uniforms, and other similar military supplies stored in the depot [redacted]  
[redacted]

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13. A garage which housed the automobiles of the Soviet "specialists".<sup>3</sup>  
This garage housed 20-30 Skoda automobiles which were driven by  
Bulgarian chauffeurs. [redacted] Soviets ride in these  
automobiles and [redacted] they could easily  
be distinguished from the shabbily-dressed Sofia natives by the  
superior quality of their suiting material. [redacted]  
these automobiles pick up the Soviets as they left the Ministry of  
National Defense.

14. The Sofia-Kriazhevo road.

Comment: Bulgarians generally referred to Soviets on duty  
with Bulgarian ministries in Sofia as "specialists", presumably  
because of the Soviets' technical-advisory status in Bulgaria.

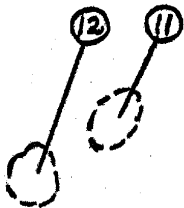
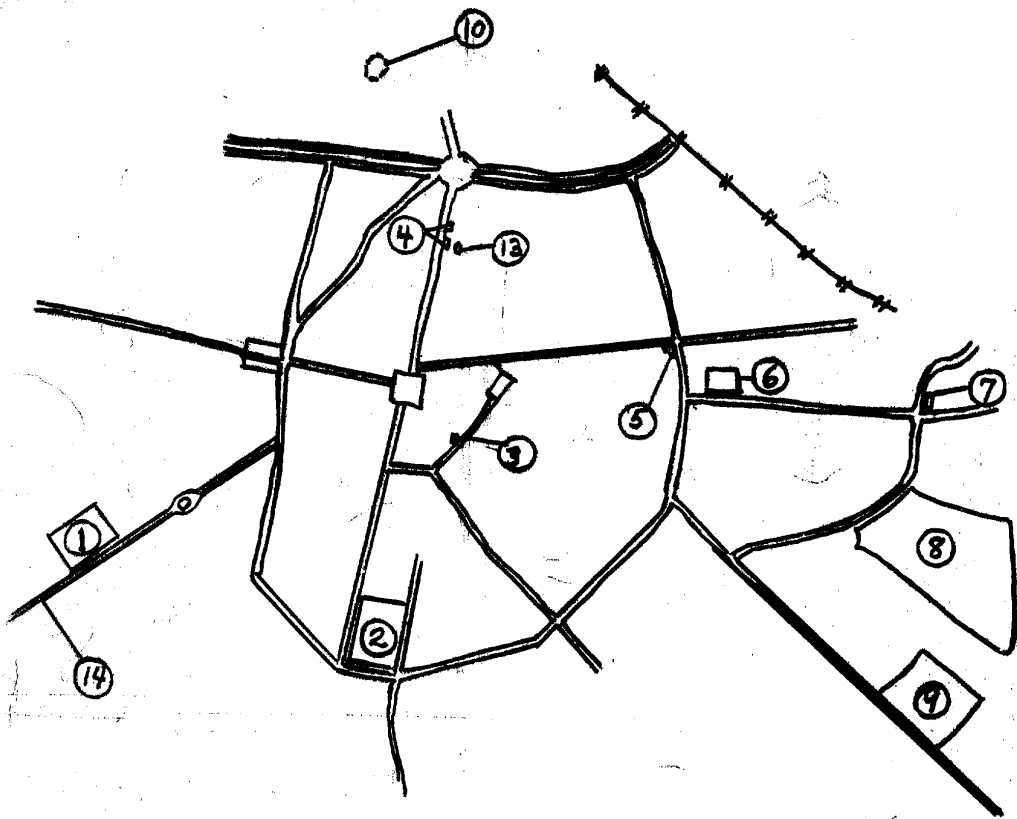
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Sheet 2, 0322-9998-2-25M, Sofia,  
pinpointing locations of mil-  
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